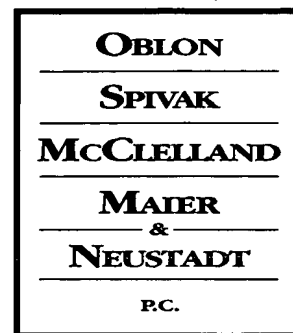


Docket No.: 245710US0CONT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

NORMAN F. OBLON  
(703) 413-3000  
NOBLON@OBLON.COM

RE: Application Serial No.: 10/734,282  
Applicants: Hiroaki KISAKA, et al.  
Filing Date: December 15, 2003  
For: METHOD OF PRODUCING TRANSGENIC PLANTS  
HAVING IMPROVED AMINO ACID COMPOSITION  
AND IMPROVED YIELDING  
Group Art Unit: 1638

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

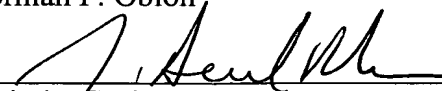
**Status Request for First Office Action (in duplicate)**

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Norman F. Oblon

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Surinder Sachar

Registration No. 34,423

Customer Number

**22850**

(703) 413-3000 (phone)  
(703) 413-2220 (fax)

J. Derek Mason, Ph.D.  
Pat. No. 6,828,270

DOCKET NO.: 245710US0CONT/alh



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Hiroaki KISAKA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/734,282

GROUP NO: 1638

FILED: December 15, 2003

FOR: METHOD OF PRODUCING TRANSGENIC PLANTS HAVING  
IMPROVED AMINO ACID COMPOSITION AND IMPROVED YIELDING

**FIRST OFFICE ACTION STATUS REQUEST**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date a first Official Action will be issued in this Application.

A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.  
Norman F. Oblon

Surinder Sachar  
Registration No. 34,423

Customer Number

**22850**

Tel. (703) 413-3000  
Fax. (703) 413-2220  
(OSMMN 10/04)

J. Derek Mason, Ph.D.  
Registration No. 35,270